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Somebody's Mother

The woman was old, and ragged, and gray. And bent with the chill of the winter's day; The street was wet with a recent snow, And the woman's feet were aged and slow. She stood at the crossing, and waited long. Alone, uncared for, amid the throng

Of human beings who passed her by, Nor heeded the glance of her anxious eye. Down the street, with laughter and shout, Glad in the freedom of "school let out."

Came the boys, like a flock of sheep, Hailing the snow, piled white and deep.

Past the woman so old and gray Hastened the children on their way:

Nor offered a helping hand to her, So meek, so timid, afraid to stir,

Lest the carriage wheels or the horses' feet Should knock her down in the slippery street.

At last came one of the merry troop— The gayest laddie of all the group;

He paused beside her and whispered low: "I'll help you across if you wish to go."

Her aged hand on his strong young arm She placed, and so, without hurt or harm,

He guided the trembling feet along, Proud that his own were firm and strong.

Then back to his friends again he went, His young heart happy and well content.

"She's somebody's mother, boys, you know, For all she's aged, and poor, and slow;

"And I hope some fellow will lend a hand To help my mother, you understand,

"If ever she's poor, and old, and gray, When her own dear boy is far away."

And "somebody's mother" bowed low her head In her home that night, and the prayer she said

Was, "God be kind to the noble boy, Who is somebody's son, and pride, and joy."

—Unknown.

Jim's Desperate Run

"I believe we ought to get off; seems to me this cake's getting rather wabby," said Jim, teetering gingerly up and down on the glistening mass.

Each motion swung the cake of ice an inch or two nearer the end of the tree top, against which the swift current of the swollen river had lodged it.

"Fiddlesticks! You're a coward," said Bob, patting his bare red hands together in an effort to bring a flow of warm blood to his chilled fingers. "I'm no coward, but I am going to get off just the same," said his companion, swinging his arms and preparing to jump across the turbid little stream which had crept between the stranded ice-cake and the shore.

"Here goes," said he, and gave a spring which landed him on all fours with his shoe tips in the water.

Scrambling to his feet he looked around and was horrified to find that the impetus his spring had given the ice had sent it beyond the friendly branches of the tree into the raging river where it was whirling around in a dizzy rush for the dam, a mile and a quarter beyond. Crouched on his knees, with his hands spread out to keep from being swept off was Bob, and Jim never in all his life forgot the look of terror on the boy's white face.

For a few moments Jim was utterly paralyzed at the awfulness of the situation. He knew that when the cake of ice went over the dam it meant death to any living creature which might be upon it. Then from out the chaos of his fear gleamed a thought—the bridge! If he could only reach that with a rope! The river, after leaving the place where the boys had been playing, took a long outward sweep, and then curved inward toward the village, where it was spanned by a broad iron bridge. To follow the course of the river one would have to go about a mile to reach the bridge; but across the land, as a bird flies, it was less than half the distance.

Jim had always been quick to think and act, qualities which rendered him a favorite among his comrades and made him first to be chosen in all games. In less time than it takes to tell it he had thrown aside his heavy overcoat, and with his hands in his pocket, making a desperate search among sundry boyish accumulations for his knife, he was running steadily toward a long line of fluttering white clothes stretched across the rear end of Mrs. Edwards' back yard. These lay directly in his path as he fled across the fields to the bridge. He found his knife and opened it, and then a terrible fear smote him—suppose

the rope should be wire? But he must take his chances

It was late in the afternoon and Bridget was coming with her basket to take down the clothes when a boy sprung over the fence, slashed a knife through the clothesline, and catching the end in his hand, sped across the yard letting the snowy garments over which she had toiled all the forenoon trail through the mire and smutty water. When Jim cut the other end of the rope Bridget dropped her basket.

"Miss Ed'ards, Miss Ed'ards! Here's a thief after yiz clothes," and she gave chase.

She clutched the end of the rope as it slid over the fence; but Jim gave it a mighty jerk and poor Bridget found herself sprawling on her back, with her head in a puddle of water, where she lay and shouted lustily for "Miss Ed'ards! Miss Ed'ards!"

Jim knew he dared not pause long enough to strip the clothes off the line, so he bounded on, trying to loop the rope and discard the clothes-pins and clothes as he went. But it was slow work, and the long burdened line trailed out behind him like the faded tail of a comet. One shirt caught on a picket fence but the cloth was frail and left a sleeve fluttering in the March breeze. Then he had to cross a field where about fifteen boys were playing. When they saw him coming, thinking he was bent on some kind of sport, they raised the cry:—"Look at Jim Beecher! He's got a kite; let's catch its tail," and three of the boys grabbed the end of the rope which brought Jim to a sudden standstill and nearly threw off his feet. He was nearly frantic at the delay and turning to them, he shouted:—"Let go of that! Let go of that I say!"

His eyes blazed so, and his face was so deadly pale that his playfellows knew something unusual had happened, and they dropped the line and followed after him in his wild flight towards the bridge.

He was dashing across a wide, open field, when he saw a muddy, tumbling mass fully twelve feet wide ahead of him. His heart nearly stopped beating, and for a moment everything blurred before his eyes. He had not thought of Mill creek. In summer it was a mere glancing ribbon between its high green banks; now it was swollen into a mad little torrent and too deep to wade, and he feared too wide to bridge with a jump.

There was nothing to do but to make the attempt. He had no time to deviate from his course enough to reach the little footbridge further up. Not an instant did he slacken his speed, and as he neared the margin of the stream he gathered himself for a supreme effort. His summer bicycle riding and his gymnasium practice had befriended him thus far. His wind was still good; now his trained muscles were to receive a severe test.

So nicely had he made his calculations that his right foot pressed the extreme edge of the bank as he made the spring. He shot out over the water for one brief instant, and the next his hands clutched the grass and dirt on the other side while his legs splashed the water.

Only a moment and he was on his feet running again, encouraged by the cheers of the boys who were stranded on the farther side. His speed however, was somewhat diminished by his wet clothing and the ten or a dozen saturated sheets and pillow cases that still clung to the line and which had been dragged through the little stream.

He was now within sight of the bridge, and the shortest cut to it was to scramble up a steep bank and turn down Main Street for about sixty rods, when he would be at the end of the bridge. This he did, and a wayside bush caught the last of Mrs. Edwards' sheet and held it as the line slipped from the loosened pins

People turned to look and then to follow the spent, draggled little figure, as it dashed toward the bridge, dragging a line and three mud-stained pillow-cases after it. As Jim reached the end of the bridge, his quick eye caught sight of the ice-cake swirling along with Bob crouching in the center. It took him but a moment to see that Bob was divesting himself of cloth-

ing as rapidly as possible, and instantly he comprehended his intention. Here the river widened out considerably, and, in consequence the current was not so rapid, but still swift enough in its swollen condition to render swimming in its icy waters exceedingly perilous.

Jim saw that Bob, knowing that sure death awaited him a little beyond, had determined to brave the flood in a desperate effort to reach the shore.

Making a trumpet of hands, Jim shouted: "Hel lo-o-o! Hel lo-o-o!"

To him the tones sounded no louder than the squeak of a mouse, but he could see from Bob's actions that he had heard the call.

The cake of ice was coming down in the middle of the stream, but by this time Jim had reached a point on the bridge where he thought the ice would be likely to pass. Here he stopped, let the coil of rope drop from his arm, and quickly making a slipnoose in the end, began paying it out over the railing of the bridge. When it was all out Jim discovered with a sickening sensation that it was too short by twelve or fifteen feet.

Closing his hands around his mouth he shouted:

"Je ump! Je ump!"

He had no time for more words. Bob would surely know what he meant. The end of the rope remaining in his hand, he tied it into a small slipnoose and passed it over his right wrist. By this time some dozen men and women had gathered about him. Turning to them, he said:

"Here, two of you men catch me by the feet—quick."

In an instant, he had scrambled over the railing, and was dangling above the turbid waters below, while two strong men held him by the feet.

This brought the rope within six or seven feet of the water. Bob was seen carefully and with great difficulty to balance himself on his feet and crouch for the desperate spring. His gymnastic training would surely render it possible if only he did not lose his nerve.

There was a moment of breathless silence while the two men shifted their living rope a little to the south, as the ice-cake changed its course a trifle, then Bob's body shot up into the air, and—

"Hurrah! Hurrah! Hurrah!" rang out.

Bob had grasped the rope and was being hauled up to safety. When his feet touched the bridge his first words were:

"Where's Jim Beecher? I'll never call him coward again."

But Jim was on his way to a doctor's office, and for many a day he carried his right arm in a sling.—*Chicago Record.*

Diocese of Maryland

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Baltimore—Grace Mission, Grace and St. Peter's Church, Park Ave. and Monument St.

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First Sunday, Holy Communion and Sermon, 9:30 A.M.

Second Sunday, Evening Prayer and Address, 3:15 P.M.

Third Sunday, Evening Prayer and Sermon, 1:15 P.M.

Fourth Sunday, Litany, or Ante-Communion and Sermon, 3:15 P.M.

Fifth Sunday, Ante-Communion and Catechism, 3:15 P.M.

Bible Class Meetings, every Sunday except the 4th, 4:30 P.M.

Guild and other Meetings, every Friday, except during July and August, 8 P.M.

Frederick—St. Paul's Mission, All Saints' Church, Second Sunday, 11 A.M.

Hagerstown—St. Thomas' Mission, St. John's Church, Second Sunday, 8 P.M.

Cumberland—St. Timothy's Mission, Emmanuel Church, Second Monday, 8 P.M.

Other Places by Appointment.

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Norfolk, Va.—St. Luke's Church, Grady and Bute Streets. Service, Second Sunday, 10:30 A.M.

Wheeling, W. Va.—St. Elizabeth's Silent Mission, St. Matthew's Church. Services every Sunday, at 3:30 P.M.

Services by Appointment.—Virginia: Lynchburg, Roanoke, Newport News, and Staunton, West Virginia: Parkersburg, Huntington, Charleston, Clarksburg, Fairmont and Romney.

Canadian Clippings.

TORONTO TIDINGS

The Epworth League topic for April first, was on the second book of Chronicles, describing the first history of the reign of King Solomon in the year 1015 before Christ, or the Julian period of 1699, or 2989 years after the world's creation.

Mr. Robert King, of Frankford, came to this city on April 4th, to visit his many friends, and we hear he intends staying here for a while. We are delighted to see him once more.

On April 4th, two teams of five bowlers each from the T. A. D. came over to the Bridge Club to try conclusions with two teams of the Brigdens, and there was a large turnout to see this battle royal. There were three games played between each contesting team. A team of T. A. D. boys, consisting of Messrs. Gerald O'Brien, John Maynard, Silas Baskerville, Charles McLaughlin and John Brown, defeated a team of Brigdens, made up of Messrs. Robert Esminger, David Lawrence, Ewart Hall, Frank Doyle and Stephen E. Edwards, three in a row, but on the other alley three more games were going on between Messrs. Frank Pierce, Henry White, Wm. J. Ross, James Kelly and Fred Brown, representing the T. A. D., and Messrs. Frank Harris, Charles Elliott, John T. Shilton, H. W. Roberts and Colin McLean, for the Brigdens, in which the latter team won by 2 to 1. The return games will be played on April 18th, on the T. A. D. alleys, and mind you, there will be fireworks galore.

Mr. Lewis Ireland, of Huntsville, was in our midst over the week-end of April 4th, renewing old acquaintances. Lewis has now obtained a better position at the tannery in Action, so will be able to come in to see us more often.

Mr. Charles A. Elliott was the speaker at our church on April 5th, and gave an excellent address, in which he exhorted all to see that their future course was free of danger that is constantly lurking in our paths, and the safest and only way was through Christ, who is the only One who can pilot us through in safety, while all others fail.

As usual, our old friend and co-worker, Mr. August Staubitz, of Buffalo, remembered us by sending fraternal Easter greetings. We return the same brotherly and comradeship feelings and love.

Mr. Peter McDougall went out to Oshawa on April 5th, to see his brother, who is now attending a Missionary College in that city. Peter was so pleased with his visit that he contemplates going again in the near future.

Miss Margaret Rea returned to own midst on April 5th, after a couple of weeks stay with Mrs. David Hamby in Nobleton.

The Literary Circle met again on April 2d, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Watt, and a profitable time was spent in discussing various subjects, such as the life of Shakespeare, by Miss Evelyn Hazlett; Child Labor in the United States, by Miss Margaret Golds, and other topics.

On April 4th, the Misses Evelyn Hazlett and Marion Powell went out to see Miss Edith Burke, who is still a patient in the Tuberculosis Sanatorium at Weston, but we are sorry to hear that she is far from well and suffers much pain in her legs. She has been a patient in that institution for many years.

Mr. Fred Terrell was out to Brantford for the Sunday meeting on April 5th, and reports having had a good crowd with many from adjacent points present.

Mr. George Elliott, of Long Branch, took charge of the Sunday School class at the West End Y. M. C. A., on April 5th, and outlined very intelligently "How Peter allayed the fears of the people after Christ had departed from them temporarily." Mr. Elliott was a guest at "Mora Glen" the rest of the day.

The Trustees of our Church held their April meeting on the 6th ult., with a full attendance. Two new probationers will be called into service, namely Messrs. Walter Ball and Peter McDougall. Of course, the former is able to be a full-fledged

member of the board, but in order to observe the rules of this body one has first to be called as a probationer, but Mr. Bell's probationary speaking, Mr. Bell is one of the finest platform orators in our midst, and admittance to the board will infuse a lot of good. Mr. McDougall is a young man of much promise and clean habits, and sure to make the grade. The rest of the discussions were on conference matters.

WATERLOO CO. WEE BITS.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Smith of Kitchener, have been up in Owen Sound, visiting old friends. Mrs. Smith remained for a few weeks, but her husband had to return to duty after a few days' stay.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Nahrang, of Ayr, were guests of the Williams family, while in Kitchener, on April 5th, to attend the meeting conducted by Mr. Asa Forrester, of Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Coles, of Galt, Mrs. Ida Cherry Robertson, of Preston, Mrs. John A. Moynihan and daughter, Beverley, and Mr. Absolom Martin and daughter, of Waterloo, were among the crowd at the Forrester meeting in Kitchener on April 5th.

Mr. William Hagen and Mr. and Mrs. Percy Smith, of Kitchener, took a jaunt out to Speedville recently, and spent a pleasant day with Mr. and Mrs. Isiah Nahrang and daughter, Ruth.

Mrs. John A. Moynihan and daughter, Beverley, of Waterloo, have returned from a delightful visit to relatives and friends in Brantford and Hamilton.

Mr. Asa Forrester, of Toronto, came up on April 5th, and conducted his first meeting in Kitchener. He gave a good sermon to a good-sized crowd.

Mr. and Mrs. Isiah Nahrang, of Speedville, were in Kitchener on April 5th, looking up old friends and took in the Forrester meeting.

We regret to say that Mrs. John A. Moynihan will have to undergo an operation to enlarge the pupil of her left eye, which has been going against her normal sight. Years ago, when a child, she had a similar operation, but it turned out a partial failure. Now in this age advanced of science and surgical successes, we hope and sincerely pray that better results will be attained. Both Mr. and Mrs. Moynihan are well and highly respected residents of Waterloo, and both devote much of their time to the wants and welfare of others.

GENERAL GLEANINGS

We regret to say that Mrs. David Hamby, of Nobleton, had another slight paralytic stroke recently, and is now getting weaker and more frail.

Mrs. Euphemia Terrell, of Whitby, writes that she was very sorry she could not attend the Bible Conference in Toronto at Easter, a long wish she had hoped for. Though 86 years old, she still has a warm spot in her heart for the deaf, to whom she gave the greater part of her life's service in their behalf.

We are pleased to hear that our old friends, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Barard, of Tilsonburg, are doing fine on their farm, and getting ready for the annual spring seeding.

Mrs. A. Braithwaite, of Walkerville, was recently in Detroit, visiting her old friend, and former Belleville schoolmate, Mrs. Cass. Sadows.

Could any of our friends inform us of the whereabouts of our old friend, Mr. Joseph Toulouse. We have heard nothing of him since he left school more than twenty-five years ago.

HERBERT W. ROBERTS.

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Bible Class, Every Sunday, 2:30 P.M.

No soul is desolate as long as there is a human being for whom it can feel trust and reverence.—George Eliot.

The Moorish Marabout

In the Moorish countries of Africa any man who chooses to wander about, living on alms and proclaiming the religion of Mohammed, is a marabout, or saint. He is usually very dirty and ragged, and often crazy. But on the other hand, he may be well dressed and respectable, and live in the mosque of some town most of the time.

The Mohammedan tradition tells that once upon a time Mohammed found out a certain name by which Allah could be invoked so powerfully that whoever used this name could obtain whatever he desired. Mohammed is supposed to have told this magic name to one or two of his followers who were especially favored by him.

Ever since then every marabout in Africa spends his time trying to find out this name. The crazy ones generally feel sure they gain much honor and money, for every prayer they make will surely be answered. The crazy marabout, for this reason, is generally held in higher esteem than the sane ones.

The Moors employ marabouts to perform the ceremonies at weddings and funerals, and go to them to have their fortunes told; for fortune telling is very important in Moorish life. One famous marabout has a tiny hut near the big hotel in Biskra. He wears an immense turban of the most vivid green, to show that he has made the pilgrimage to Mecca, of which the Mohammedans think so much.

This man has a great vogue as a fortune teller, and the country girls and women flock in to consult him. After the seance they drop coppers or silver coins into the hood at the back of his turban or cloak, so that he cannot see the money. He says that he never takes anything for his services, but the coins that are left there behind his back do not count, of course.

Most marabouts take money openly for charms and talismans. Every child wears around its neck one or two of the little leather bags containing a charm. Little girls wear more than boys do. Grown-up people do not wear charms openly, but keep them hidden somewhere in their garments.

These charms the Moors believe preserve the eyesight, insure against poverty and also against snake bites, and keep off evil spirits. The claw of a porcupine, encased in silver, is an unfailing charm against the evil eye. Magic words written on bits of eggshell and tied up in a blue rag keep off fevers. Even camels, donkeys and goats, wear charms tied around their necks to keep them from harm.

Yellow ink is used by some marabouts to write charms against evil spirits who bring blindness. One charm in yellow ink reads thus: "In the name of God of mercy and pity may the almighty be propitious to our lord Mohammed, his family and companions."

We have covered their eyes with a veil and they cannot see.

"In the name of Allah! By Allah! There is no other God but Allah! There is no help but in Allah alone!"

Red and blue ink are used in special cases. A favorite talisman is a magic square, which makes fifteen when read either from top to bottom, from right to left, or diagonally, thus:

4	9	2
3	5	7
8	1	6

What the figures no body know except the marabout, but he is very particular about just the right order for them all.

When a marabout has been known long in town or village he often becomes its local saint, and when he dies his tomb becomes a shrine. People come to it to get charms and bring offerings, until a pilgrimage habit is established; and a new marabout soon starts there in business as a tomb-tender and fortune-teller. Perhaps a mosque may be built there in the end. This is how most of the Moorish holy places begin.—Priscilla Leonard, in Col. News.

All Souls' Church, Philadelphia, Has Fine Entertainment

On Saturday evening, March 28th, All Souls' Church for the Deaf, of Philadelphia, did itself proud, by giving one of the finest Lenten plays ever staged there. The affair was under the capable management of Mrs. Nancy Moore, of Toronto, Canada (who by the way is however at heart a Philadelphian), and drew a large crowd, who one and all expressed themselves delighted with the unique affair. The program was entirely founded upon subjects appropriate to the season of the church calendar, and was therefore beyond criticism. The cast was as follows:

1. Rock of Ages: Singers—Mrs. Salter, Mrs. Speece, Mrs. Delp, Mrs. Rival, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. McGhee, Mrs. Smaltz and Mrs. Partington. Mrs. Leaming and Long, and Miss Hess, clinging to the cross.

2. The Ten Virgins. The Foolish Virgins were represented by Mesdames Salter, Delp, Smaltz, Smith and Rival. The Wise Virgins were Mesdames Speece, McGhee, Partington, and Misses Leaming and Long.

Mrs. Rothmund, at the Gate, sang, "Too Late, Too Late, Ye Cannot Enter Now," while Mrs. McLeon as the Angel Gabriel, blew the last trumpet.

3. "Faith, Hope and Love," by Misses Long, Leaming and Mrs. McGhee, was truly a beautiful conception.

4. Ten Famous Women of the Bible: Eve, Mrs. Delp; Rebekah, Mrs. Robinson; Rachel, Mrs. Partington; Esther, Mrs. Allen; Judith's Daughter, Miss Long; Hannah, Mrs. Smith; Mary, Mrs. Rothmund; Naomi, Mrs. Salter; Ruth, Mrs. McLeon; Samuel, little Laura Smaltz.

5. Rebekah at the Well: Rebekah, Mrs. Robinson; Miriam, Mrs. Porter; Elzas, Mr. Wm. H. Lipsett.

Ever since their return to Philadelphia last fall, from their home in Canada, Mrs. Moore and her companion, Mrs. Mabel Wilson, have been managing various entertainments for the benefit of different lines of work connected with All Souls' Church, and have added quite a large sum to the church treasury. Mrs. Wilson represents the working element of the plays, while the arranging of scenes and instruction of the players has been done by Mrs. Moore, herself. The deaf of Philadelphia, and more especially the members of All Souls' Church, wish to express to these two loyal workers their sincere appreciation for their efforts. They have set an example which it would do well for others, who really should help their own church, to follow. It may not be out of place in this connection to say that our church is now working in unity to pay off the heavy expense of transforming the basement of the church into a fine gymnasium, whereby we hope to furnish amusement for the younger members of the congregation, and keep them off the street and out of objectionable places that lure the young to destruction. So far every club in any way connected with All Souls' has done or will do its quota to help the good work along. The Cleric Literary Association, the Silent Boys' Club, the All Souls' Social Club, and lastly the Sunshine Circle and the Pastoral Aid Society are each doing their "bit," and one and all hope to pay off the work by earnest efforts.

The play drew a large crowd, who seemed very much pleased and touched by the beauty and the real sadness of the various scenes. Mrs. Moore and Mrs. Wilson were called upon the platform after the performance, and each presented with large and handsome bouquets from the members of the players.

One of the most welcome visitors from out-of-town was the Rev. Herbert C. Merrill, of New York, and he seemed highly pleased with the evening.

GERTRUDE M. DOWNEY.

Be courageous and you cannot be ill mentally. Smile, but the line, face the enemy, and perhaps your nervous troubles will vanish like magic.

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Wherever wrong is done
To the humblest and the weakest
'Neath the all-beholding sun,
That wrong is also done to us,
And they are slaves most base,
Whose love of right is for themselves,
And not for all the race."

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THE Church Mission to Deaf-Mutes has again been remembered in the disposal of a large estate. By the will of Juliet C. Delafield, who died on March 27th, at her home, 58 East 56th Street, The Church Mission to Deaf-Mutes, 511 West 148th Street, is bequeathed \$40,000. Three other institutions receive a like amount—namely, St. Mary's Free Hospital for Children, the Protestant Episcopal Orphans' Home, and the Children's Hospital of Washington, D.C.

The Auto Driver in New Jersey.

So MANY deaf-mutes have approached the editor of this paper, with queries about the new automobile law in its relation to drivers' licenses, that we give all the prominence possible to the subjoined letter from Mr. W. W. Beadell, to whom the passage of the law is largely due. He is head of the Committee of the National Association of the Deaf, which organization tries to prevent any infringement upon the rights of the deaf of the entire United States. Read carefully what Mr. Beadell writes, and future uncertainty will be avoided. The State of New Jersey will not oppose the issuance of drivers' licenses to the deaf, if they make good on all other qualifications.

The formal interpretation of House Bill No. 422 by Attorney General Edward L. Katzenbach, announced on Wednesday last, marks the final chapter in the efforts of the deaf of New Jersey to regain, after ten years, their right to drive automobiles in the State. The bill in question is an amendment to that part of the New Jersey Traffic Act placing unhampered discretion in the hands of the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles to refuse licenses to whomsoever he considers "an improper person," and reads as follows:

"* * * provided, however, that no physical defect of the applicant shall deprive him or her from receiving a license unless it can be shown by common experience that such defect incapacitates him or her from safely operating a motor vehicle."

The Commissioner, who had exercised his discretion to the exclusion of deaf drivers from the time of his appointment in 1915, was very much opposed to the adoption of so fair a proposition as this, and himself sought an opinion on the new law from the Attorney General. Mr. Katzenbach's reply is a clear-cut statement not only of the meaning of the bill, but of the rights of deaf people in general, and should be carefully preserved and used wherever an attempt is made to limit those rights. After adopting as his own the wording of the bill to the effect that a person suffering from a physical defect is not necessarily "an improper person" to be granted a license, "unless it can be shown that such defect incapacitates from safely driving a motor vehicle," the Attorney General continues:

"Common knowledge, it seems to me, would indicate that any person who has lost a limb or was suffering from paralysis would be incapable of safely operating a motor vehicle, but I do not understand that common experience has shown that a deaf person can not with safety operate an automobile.

"I therefore advise you that a deaf person does not come within the designation of 'an improper person' as used in the act, and unless he suffers from physical defects other than deafness, which would otherwise incapacitate him from safely operating a motor vehicle, such deaf person is entitled to be licensed, having first complied with all the conditions of the original act."

Contrary to expectations, Governor Silzer was at first determined to veto the bill, giving as his only reason that it was disapproved by the Motor Vehicle Commissioner and that discretion in the matter should remain with the latter. It will be recalled that the House of Assembly passed the bill 39 to 9 and the Senate without a single opposing vote. This evident popularity of the measure with members of the Legislature had no effect on the Governor. Members and party leaders were unable to change his determination. On the last day of the session, his veto message was given out and was published in the afternoon papers of that day. Then, in the late afternoon, the Governor's secretary appeared on the floor of the Assembly and handed in the bill "with the ink still wet on the signature," as one member stated.

Requests have come to me for copies of our "brief" and information as to how we did the seeming impossible in the State that was a leader in opposing the deaf motorist. We used nothing that could be called a brief—merely a leaflet that could be read in a very few minutes, and with closely-condensed paragraphs indicating reasons for not opposing the adoption of the bill. Copies of this and of the bill were sent to every member of the Legislature at his home address, under cover of a personal letter. Those who replied were answered at length by me or were referred to someone in their own districts—the latter being requested at the same time to follow up.

Our chief reliance—and this is something I feel sure can be accomplished in any State—was personal solicitation of support from the party leaders of both parties, in and out of the Legislature. We had with us throughout the real political powers. This does not mean "working a pull," for these men were brought to understand and sympathize with the aim of the bill to create a situation compelling fair treatment where none heretofore had been accorded by the Commissioner.

They really had to be "shown." In almost every instance their reaction was that of the normal hearing man. Allow the deaf to drive automobiles? Not on your life! He couldn't hear my horn and let me pass on the road. I have trouble enough now getting by. And so on. Then the explanation that the deaf driver with his mirror never causes such difficulty; that there are thousands of him already on the roads of other States; that the trouble is due to drivers with normal hearing who are deafened by roaring engines or enclosed cars and who depend upon their hearing; that every tendency of traffic regulation and safety device is toward sight-signaling, where not already established; that deaf persons know best their own abilities and shortcomings and that they are not members of the Suicide Club; that in those States where records are kept of the causes of accidents the testimony is overwhelmingly in favor of the deaf driver as a safe driver, and that in only two States of the Union is he prohibited from driving. The result of the presentation of facts as opposed to theory is evidenced in the way the vote went in the two houses.

The New Jersey law is not effective until July 4th. One feature of the Attorney General's opinion, however, is an interpretation of the law as it formerly stood and may at once go into effect. He declared that a deaf person is not "an improper person" to receive a license, and this without reference to the newly-adopted amendment.

W. W. BEADELL.

ARLINGTON, N. J.

The Montreal Hebrew Deaf and Mute Society

Incorporated 1923.

The Montreal Hebrew Deaf Society has been holding its meetings regularly during the year and on March 28th, a final wind up meeting for the season was held at the room of the Montefiore Hebrew Orphan's Home. At this meeting a fine donation was given to the Hebrew Orphans, and the heartiest thanks and good wishes were received from the officers of the M. H. O. H.

The Society tendered the president, Mr. J. Schwartzman, a fine party in honor of his good work for the society. He was presented with a silver cigarette case. Mr. Schwartzman, then thanked the members for their kindness and forthrightness.

A farewell was also given to Mr. and Mrs. J. Schwartzman and Mr. and Mrs. Goodman, since they are leaving for a visit to New York. They carry the best wishes both for themselves and for the Jewish Deaf of New York.

A. GOLDSTEIN.

PHILADELPHIA.

News items for this column should be sent to James S. Reider, 1538 North Dover Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

The Board of Managers of the Pennsylvania Society for the Advancement of the Deaf held a stated meeting at the residence of Secretary Reider, 1538 North Dover Street, on Wednesday evening, April 8th, 1925, which was attended by all the members of the Board, except two. Those present were: William H. Lipsett, Philadelphia, First Vice-President; A. M. Fahnestock, Muncy, Second Vice President; Alexander S. McGhee, Philadelphia, Treasurer; J. S. Reider, Philadelphia, Secretary; Rev. F. C. Smielan, Selinus Grove; John A. Roach, Philadelphia; D. Ellis Lit, Philadelphia; Charles A. Kepp, Philadelphia; Dora Heim, Kane; and J. C. Reinmiller, Hazelton. Those absent were: Francis M. Holliday, Pittsburgh, and Henry Bards, Wilkingsburg.

William H. Lipsett, by virtue of his office of First Vice-President, presided in the absence of President Holliday.

The minutes of the board meeting, on October 17th, were read and approved on motion.

The Secretary read a communication from Dr. Crouter, President of the Home for Aged, Infirm and Blind Deaf at Doylestown, expressing his wish to entertain the Managers of the Society at dinner in Wissinoming Hall, Mt. Airy, prior to their meeting, on April 8th, 1925.

[This invitation was regretfully but thankfully declined by the Secretary, for the reason that he had already followed the President's order to call the meeting two full weeks in advance, as the Rules of the Society prescribe.]

MR. JAMES S. REIDER, Secretary, P. S. A. D., 1538 North Dover Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

DEAR MR. REIDER:—By order of the President of the Board of Trustees of the Home for Aged and Infirm Deaf, Dr. A. L. E. Crouter, I am instructed to inform your Board of Managers that the Trustees have inspected several properties with a view to obtaining better and larger quarters for the Home; that they have found a property known as the Morelton Inn Annex, at Torresdale, Philadelphia County, Pa., very well suited for the purpose and needs of the Home; that the purchase price is fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000); that the Trustees have obtained a sixty-day option on the property; and that they heartily recommend its purchase.

Further, I am instructed to suggest to your Board of Managers the advisability of placing the Doylestown property on the market immediately, should you decide to purchase the Morelton Inn Annex.

Very truly yours,
J. A. McILVAINE, JR., Secretary Board of Trustees.

Communications were also received from President Holliday and Manager Henry Bards, expressing their inability to attend the meeting of the Board, and hearty favor for purchasing the Torresdale property for the re-location of the Home.

A request from Mr. D. Ellis Lit was received to extend an invitation to Messrs. J. A. McIlvaire, Jr., Secretary, and Lyman Steed, Treasurer, of the Board of Trustees of the Home, and to Mr. Harry E. Stevens, in the capacity of an architect, to sit with the Board during the consideration of the new Home site, in the belief that each of the gentlemen might be able to give helpful advice on the new property. The Treasurer of the Society, Alex. S. McGhee, presented a statement of the condition of the treasury, of which the following is a summary:

Statement from October 18th, 1924, to April 8th, 1925.

Special Cash in First Penny Savings Bank \$210 43

Cash in Olney Bank and Trust Co. \$28 69

Cash Balance in both above bank \$479 12

Receipts from October 18th, 1924, to April 8th, 1925. . . \$155 81

Expenditures during same period. 60 00 95 81

April, 1925, Total Cash balance \$574 93

The above statement was received, subject to audit. On the report of the Secretary that the terms of Messrs. Crouter, Stuckert and Smielan, as Trustees of the Home, would expire on May 31st, 1925, the said gentlemen were unanimously re-elected for another term of three years, beginning on June 1st, 1925.

A suggestion was made by Mr. Charles A. Kepp, Secretary of the Alumni Association of the Pennsylvania Institution for the Deaf, that, for convenience and mutual benefit, the Society meet at the Mt. Airy Institution simultaneously with the Alumni Association in the coming summer, on dates yet to be arranged by the two organizations.

The suggestion was received with favor, and, on motion of Rev. Smielan, seconded by Mr. Fahnestock, the Chairman was authorized to appoint a committee of three to arrange the meeting in conjunction with the Committee of the Alumni Association. The Chair appointed Messrs. Lipsett, Roach and Partington the Committee.

Rev. Smielan then offered the following resolutions on the matter of the Torresdale property.

Resolved, That the Board of Managers of the Pennsylvania Society for the Advancement of the Deaf, in meeting assembled, this 8th day of April, 1925, purchase the property known as the Morelton Inn Annex, located at Torresdale, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, for Fifty Thousand Dollars, (\$50,000.00) for the purpose of re-locating the Home for Aged, Infirm and Blind Deaf, now at Doylestown, Pennsylvania; and be it further

Resolved, That the Board of Managers of the Society do and hereby give to the Board of Trustees of the Home for Aged, Infirm and Blind Deaf, full and unrestricted authority to negotiate and finance the purchase of the Morelton Inn Annex for the Pennsylvania Society for the Advancement of the Deaf; and also to place the Home property at Doylestown on the market and dispose of it at the most advantageous price they can obtain, as well as to transact all other matters pertaining to the sale. The proceeds of the sale are to be used in liquidating a part or all of whatever encumbrance may be incurred in the purchase of the Morelton Inn Annex before being used for any other purpose.

Mr. Fahnestock seconded the resolutions.

At this point Secretary Reider asked that Messrs. McIlvaire, Steed and Stevens, who were present in another room, be invited to sit with the Board during the consideration of the resolutions as requested by Mr. Lit. The permission was given, and Mr. Lit then called the gentlemen into the meeting room. Mr. Robert M. Ziegler, as an Honorary Member, was privileged to sit all through the meeting.

Mr. Steed, at the request of the Chairman, first addressed the Board. Of all the properties that had been offered, the Morelton Inn Annex was the best in every way, considering price and location; its size and present condition were most satisfactory, save that it needed a heating plant; it was examined by officers of the North Philadelphia Trust Company, including its President, who readily agreed to finance its purchase by a permanent mortgage, stipulating, however, that the entire proceeds from the sale of the Doylestown property be applied to reduce the mortgage. As the option of \$500 was to expire the next day, that was on April 9th, the Trustees were to pay down \$4,500 more and the Bank would advance the balance of \$45,000 on mortgage, which would clinch the acquisition of the property. Mr. Steed received a favorable opinion on the value of the property from all the persons he consulted, and some believed it was still worth its original price of \$100,000, at present values of real estate.

The above were the chief points of his address, but he added that the Home had enough funds on hand to install a steam heating plant at once.

Mr. McIlvaire also believed the property a valuable find and most suitable for our Home. He doubted that a better one could be found for such a reasonable price, judging from the many offers he had received. Most all of those offers were for properties outside of Philadelphia. He wished it understood that, if this Torresdale property is acquired, it should not be expected that the door would be thrown wide open at once to all who applied for admission until filled to capacity, for maintenance is a big item which has to be reckoned with. But all that can be done, will be done. It behooved the deaf of Pennsylvania now more than ever to give the Home all the support they can and thus add to its continued success.

Mr. Stevens gave the information that the Morelton Inn Annex was built by William Steele & Company, one of Philadelphia's most reputable building concerns. He had himself gone over the property and was much impressed by it.

The members of the Board then asked questions of the visitors, and satisfied themselves that the property was well worth acquiring for the increased needs of our Home, and finally passed the Resolutions unanimously. If we were to count the votes of the two absent members the entire membership voted as one in favor of purchase.

Adjournment followed at 11:08 P.M.

JAMES S. REIDER, Secretary P. S. A. D.

Gates and Doors

So let the gates swing open
However poor the yard,
Let weary people visit you
And find their passage barred.
Unhitch the door at midnight
And let your lantern's glow
Shine out to guide the traveler's feet
To you across the snow.
Unlock the door this evening
And let your gate swing wide,
Let all who ask for shelter
Come speedily inside.
What if your yard be narrow?
What if your house be small?
There is a Guest whose coming
Will glorify it all.
Unbar your heart this evening
And keep no stranger out,
Take from your soul's great portal
The barrier of doubt.
To humble folk and weary
Give hearty welcoming
Your breast shall be no morrow
The cradle of a King.
—Joyce Kilmer.

Gallaudet College.

Speaking in the easy, good-natured manner that is a distinct trait of the man, Mr. Drake of the Faculty, explained to the gathering in the Chapel Sunday afternoon, April fifth, the meaning of "The Supreme Good." The keynote of his talk was the need of more love of fellowmen.

Miss Coleman surprised the Speech Reading Club Monday evening, when by way of a program she gave them a Cross-Word Puzzle to solve. She read the definitions to the audience, who turned their brains around twice, and often twice again, (1) in reading the lips, and (2) in determining a suitable word. When a correct answer was given, she put it in the proper space on a large blank puzzle on the blackboard. The square was soon filled.

Dr. Ely awarded basketball letters to the following men Wednesday evening: Bradley (Captain), Miller, Massinkoff, Riddle, and Scarvie. Manager Knauss received an honorary G and the Preps, Byouk, Wondrack, and Holdren, were given honorary mention.

Wednesday—By pounding a sizzling line drive through the pitcher's legs and down the field, in the final inning, the mighty Rose of Missouri sent Krug home to snatch a bitter game from Ft. Humphreys 10-9. Gallaudet exhibited a startling rally in the final inning. The soldiers led at that time 9-4. But three walks, an error, three hits turned the trick for our fellows. Riddle started on the mound, but lasted only two innings. Knauss replaced him, and though he was uncomfortably liberal with balls, he carried through with a whole skin. Captain Danofsky swung a murderous bat. Out of four trips to the plate he got two two-baggers and two singles, all hot drives.

Gallaudet's lineup was the same as in her former games, except that Scarvie, who is on the sick list, was replaced by Riddle.

Line-up and summary (clipped from the Washington Post):

FT. HUMPHREYS	AB	H	O	A
Bingham, ss	4	2	1	2
Barton, rf	2	2	0	0
Gardner, c	2	0	7	0
Craft, p	3	1	1	0
Fitzmas, 3b	3	1	0	1
McBride, lf	3	0	0	0
Davidson, 2b	3	3	0	0
Paremba, 1b	1	0	3	0
Kalmiller, cf	2	1	1	0
Sine, p	1	1	1	3
Bowen, p	2	2	0	0
Totals	23	12	14	6

GALLAUDET	AB	H	O	A
Massinkoff, cf	2	0	2	1
Reneau, 2b	3	0	3	2
Danofsky, ss	4	4	0	4
Wright, c	4	2	1	0
Krug, 1b	3	2	5	0
Wondrack, rf	2	1	2	0
Riddle, p, rf	5	1	0	0
Rose, c	1	1	3	0
Strauss, lf	1	0	1	0
Knauss, p	2	1	0	0
Totals	25	12	15	7

*Two out when winning run was scored.

PORT HUMPHREYS	O	2	1	5	9
GALLAUDET	1	0	3	0	6-10

Reneau—Massinkoff, Reneau, Danofsky, Wright, c, Krug, Riddle, Rose, Knauss, Bingham, Barton, 2, Davidson, Paremba, 2, Kalmiller, Bowen, 2, Errors—Wright, Wondrack, Bingham, Paremba, Kalmiller, Bowen. Two-base hits—Danofsky, 2, Bingham. Home run—Barton. Stolen base—Massinkoff. Double play—Danofsky to Reneau to Krug. Left on bases—Gallaudet, 9; Port Humphreys, 8. First base on balls—Off Riddle, 4; off Knauss, 5; off Sine, 5; Bowen, 3. Hits—Off Riddle, 4 in 2 1-3 innings; off Knauss, 8 in 2 4-5 innings; off Sine, 6 in 2 2-3 innings; off Bowen, 6 in 2 innings. Hit by pitched ball—By Sine, (Rose); by Bowen, (Rose). Struck out—By Riddle, 2; Knauss, 1; by Sine, 4; by Bowen, 1. Wild pitches—Sine, 2. Losing pitcher—Sine.

During the week-end examinations were in session. Quite a company of students filed solemnly into the modern infirmary. They emerged some sadder, some happier, each one wiser the one way or the other.

Professor Hughes shook the dust off of his motion picture machine, and treated the student body to several delightful reels of educational pictures Friday evening.

L. C. Shilbey rendered a beautiful Raster hymn in the Chapel Sunday morning that enchanted his audience. The Preparatory Class had charge of the Sunday afternoon concert and gave the following program:

Opening Prayer—Julia Jondle.
Hymn—Lera Roberts.
Address—David Pelkoff.
Hymn—Thomas Peterson.
Closing Prayer—Dr. Ely.

Boatwright '23, gave the Green a pleasant surprise by motoring down from New Jersey in his spiffy new Dodge and remaining over the week-end. With him were Stevens, '20, and two friends, Marnen and J. Allen, from New Jersey.

NEWARK, N. J.

COUNTY FAIR AND MASQUE BALL. Now that Lent is over, one turns to pleasure, to make up for the many days spent in meditation.

The Newark Division, No. 42, N. S. F. D., this Saturday, April 18th, have arranged something new to entertain the deaf. It is to be a County Fair and Mask Ball.

One of the features will be the exhibition of an auto, belonging to President Alfred Shaw, who is the first deaf to purchase an auto after

the enactment of a law in the State of New Jersey to allow the deaf to operate automobiles. Mr. Shaw will show the deaf who attend how an auto should be run.

Another feature will be the appearance of the officers and members of Newark Division attired in different kind of clothes.

Chairman Julius Aaron says the affair will surpass that of last year, and those who attend are assured of a good time.

Fine refreshments will be on sale at the hall.

Eagle Hall, 28 East Park Street, is only one block from Park Place (the Station), so those coming from New York and other points can easily reach the hall.

There will be eight or ten prizes awarded to the winners in fancy or comical costumes.

Come, bring your friends and have a good time.

THE COMMITTEE.

OHIO.

[News items for this column may be sent to our Ohio News Bureau, care of Mr. A. B. Greener, 999 Franklin Ave., Columbus, O.]

April 11, 1925—Both president and vice president were absent when the Advance Society met on the evening of the 4th. Mr. Greener was called upon to act as chairman. Sixteen members responded to roll call, minutes of last meeting were found correct and approved, the treasurer reported no expenditures for the previous month and the receipts larger than usual.

Mr. Elasco Burcham was given a hearty welcome, as it was his first meeting since last June, having returned from his home on the 3d, where he was recuperating since fall from the effects of an operation.

The society unanimously voted to pay a bill of \$70 for repairs and painting in the Women's building made necessary by replacing the heating system.

Mr. Krutz handed the treasurer \$7.78 for safe keeping, or until he could find the rightful owner or heir. He had bought last February that amount of postal cards from a man who later, before the bill could be paid, committed suicide, and Mr. Krutz had so far been unable to find any of his relatives to whom the money should go. The society owns a booth, which is used for outdoor entertainments by the Columbus Society of the Deaf. Mr. Schwartz was given authority to lengthen it about five feet.

There is a needy family of six persons, where the wife is deaf and the husband is hearing man, crippled and unable to work, living down at Valley Crossing. About \$100 is needed to help pay for a home. At the suggestions of Mr. Beckert, the society make a contribution thereto. The matter will come up for action at the next meeting, May 7th.

Mr. Clum, of the arrangements committee, announced that the date of the society's banquet to be on the evening of April 18th, and the place the Art room in the school building.

Mr. George Black was called to Massillon, Ohio, Wednesday night, because of the death of his brother, John A. Black. The funeral was held yesterday afternoon. A son and daughter are left, their mother having died some years ago.

Marion McLaughlin, who for some time was employed in the pupils' dining room, quit his job last week, and has gone to Sandusky, Ohio, where he is working in a bakery. Elza Young, of Crooks ville, Ohio, is taking his place here.

Baseball, lawn tennis, and swings are the outdoor pastimes of the pupils now, and they make things lively on the grounds. The weather has been favorable for them.

The circus season opened here yesterday. The pupils of the school were invited to attend it, but about starting time for the show grounds the weather was threatening, so it was thought best to play on the safety side by the authorities, and so the seats of the show for the pupils were vacant.

Mrs. E. I. Holycross, who has been on a visit to the Corps, of St. Petersburg, Fla., since last fall, will set foot in this good, old Columbus town about April 21st.

In the yard of the home of the late Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Friend are beds of Easter flowers now in bloom. Mrs. Friend is a great lover of flowers and had them set out last fall to admire this spring, but he who rules over all, willed that she should not enjoy their beauty. The premises are still vacant, and so the beauty and fragrance of the blooms furnish enjoyment to passers-by only.

Mr. Frank X. Zitnik, of Akron, was a visitor to Columbus last week, and also spent a short time at the school with friends.

Mr. Samuel W. Corbett, of Bell-air, Ohio, has had a hard struggle with rheumatism and Asiatic neuritis since last December, suffering much pain at times. He is now able to walk about some indoors with the aid of a cane, but hopes to get outdoors soon.

A. B. G.

"In Dixieland."

Mr. Robert H. Freeman is now wearing the smile that won't come off, the reason thereof is the arrival of an 8 1/2 lb. son and heir at his home on April 5th, after six years of married life. Mother and son are doing nicely.

News has just reached us of the death of Mrs. John Stallings, which occurred at her home in Carle, Ga., in February last. Mrs. Stallings was Miss Ruth Boynton before her marriage. She is survived by her husband and three small children.

It is rumored that Mr. Ross A. Johnson has sold one of his dwelling houses in Marietta, Ga., and contemplates moving over to Atlanta in the near future. Mr. Johnson is employed in Atlanta, but has been making his home in Marietta, where he owns a nice home and other property. He has been going to and from on the Inter-urban for the past twelve years.

Rev. S. M. Freeman has been appointed to collect Georgia's quota of \$1,097.00 toward the erection of the Gallaudet Memorial Hall at Washington. We understand that the deaf of Georgia are to be asked to give \$1.00 each to this fund. Supt. J. C. Harris, of Cave Spring, has started the ball rolling by contributing the first five dollars, and states that he will assist in other ways, mainly by distributing circular letters to the parents of the pupils of the Georgia School for the Deaf. We are confident that Georgia will soon raise her quota and be one of the first States to go "over the top." This scribe's dollar is ready whenever called upon.

Miss Louise Spivey, of 350 Formwalt Street, who was called home from school some time ago, on account of a serious accident to her father, a member of the Atlanta Fire Department, is still at home and will hardly be able to return to school again for the fall term.

Mr. Frank Skeleton, formerly of Atlanta, now owns and conducts a shoe repairing shop at Cleveland, Ga., and is doing well in business. He is well known in this city, and his friends are all pleased to know of his success. Georgia has quite a number of deaf men throughout the State who own businesses of their own, and all of them seem to be making a comfortable living at the shoe repairing trade. In fact, two or three of them are waxing rich at the business.

The infant child of the Robert Bankstons, which was badly lacerated at birth, has been placed in a private hospital to undergo electrical treatment in an effort to straighten out its arm and thigh,

Benjamin Franklin, Printer

Benjamin Franklin, Revolutionary patriot, distinguished philosopher and immortal printer, was in born Milk Street, Boston, on January 17, 1706. His father, Josiah Franklin, was a soap and candle maker, who married twice, and of his seventeen children. Benjamin was the youngest son. His schooling ended at the age of ten, but his desire for knowledge was so great that he managed to purchase a few good books by abstaining from meat for two years.

At the age of twelve he was bound apprentice to his brother James, a printer, who published the *New England Courant*. Not only did Benjamin set type for that journal, but he also wrote articles for it, and for a short time became its nominal editor. The brothers could not agree, however, and the young apprentice ran away, going first to New York and thence to Philadelphia, where he arrived in October, 1723. He was then seventeen. His capital consisted of a silver dollar and one shilling in coppers. As he entered the Quaker City, little did he think that in course of time he would be this town's most beloved citizen. Often has the romantic story been told about Franklin walking along Market Street upon his arrival in Philadelphia, with a roll under each arm, eating the third, while a young woman, who eventually became his wife, giggled audibly as he passed.

Although Franklin had come to Philadelphia in the hope of obtaining a position in Andrew Bradford's print shop, he did not succeed in this, but he finally got a job in the only other printing office then in Philadelphia—the one owned by Samuel Keimer. After working there for several months, he was persuaded by Governor Keith to go to London, where, finding Keith's promises empty, he again took a position as compositor and soon made new friends and a good living.

In 1726 he was brought back to Philadelphia by a merchant named Denman, who gave him the job of clerk in his dry goods store. But this work was not suited to Franklin's taste, and he subsequently took the management of Keimer's printing house. About two years later, with Hugh Meredith as partner, he opened a new printing office. This partnership was not a success, for the reason that (as Franklin explained in his Autobiography) "Meredith was no compositor, a poor pressman and seldom sober." In 1729 Franklin purchased Meredith's interest, and about the same time he became proprietor and editor of the *Pennsylvania Gazette*. Later on, he established a stationery and book shop.

During the year 1730 he married Deborah Read—the young lady who had laughed at him while he was enjoying that famous breakfast of "three great puffy rolls." In 1731 he commenced the publication, "Poor Richard's Almanac," which for some twenty years was popular in Europe as in America. Its many common-sense proverbs and useful hints are still household words.

Franklin had already founded the Philadelphia Library Company, which was the first free library in the American Colonies. In the year 1733 he began the study of the French, Italian, Spanish and Latin languages. In 1736 he was chosen clerk of the General Assembly, and during this year he organized the Union Fire Company of Philadelphia. One year later he was elected to the Assembly, soon afterwards being appointed Deputy Postmaster General. He then planned a city police force, and in 1742 invented what is known as the open, or "Franklin," stove. In 1744 he established the American Philosophical Society. During the next two years he published a pamphlet entitled, "Plain Truth," on the necessity for disciplined defense; had organized a military company; and had begun his remarkable electrical experiments. In the meanwhile he also proposed plans for an Academy, which were adopted in 1749, and which have actually developed into the present great University of Pennsylvania.

Retiring from the printing business in 1748, and with a fine fortune, he then devoted himself chiefly to a science. The famous experiment with a kite and key took place in 1752, and Franklin's other discoveries in electricity, as well as that one, are now world renowned.

He was an unflinching patriot. While in England he defended the cause of liberty with great zeal and knowledge of conditions in the American Colonies. He helped to draft the Declaration of Independence and was one of its signers. Upon being appointed as an ambassador to France, he first invested all his ready money, about \$15,000, in the continental loan. This was clear proof of his patriotism, as its repayment was then considered extremely improbable. His influence at the French court was unbounded, and he was great admired for his dignity, genius, humor and charming conversation. On his return to America he was elected President of Pennsylvania for three successive years, and at eighty two he was a member of the Constitutional Convention.

He died on April 17, 1790, at the advanced age of eighty four, and was buried in the Old Christ Church Cemetery at Fifth and Arch Streets, Philadelphia. It is interesting to note that the Philadelphia Club of Printing House Craftsmen is contributing a sum of money annually for the care of Franklin's tomb.—*The Printer's Album*.

Birthday Dinner Enjoyed.

Thirty-five mute friends of Eva Jack, of Kilgore, Pa., met Sunday at the home of Mrs. Bessie Postlethwait and tendered Miss Jack a dinner in honor of her 60th birthday. She was the recipient of many beautiful gifts and the occasion was a happy one to all concerned. Among those present from out of town were: Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Riehnard and children, Paul Hitz, Mrs. Kitchenstein and Mary Bidman, of Sharon; Mrs. Leona Schoch and daughter, Miss Helen Beels, Miss Blanche Hartle, Mrs. Orel Harkless and George Kelly, of Oil City; Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Pagley and children, of New Castle; Robert Conway, of Eonoville, Pa.; Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Shoup and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Colgrove and children, Agnes Gruber and James Green, of Franklin; Fred Nickum, of Mercer, and Glen Amon, of Polk.—*The Breeze, Sandy Lake, Pa.*

St. Thomas Mission for the Deaf

Christ Church Cathedral, Thirteenth and Locust Streets, St. Louis, Mo. The Rev. James H. Cloud, M.A., D.D., Priest-in-Charge. Mr. A. C. Steffenmann, Lay Reader. Miss Hattie L. Deem, Sunday School Teacher. Sunday School at 9:30 A.M. Sunday Services at 10:45 A.M. Woman's Guild, first Wednesdays, 2:00 P.M. Lectures, Third Sundays, 7:30 P.M. Socials, Fourth Saturdays, 8:00 P.M. Special services, lectures, socials and other events indicated on annual program card and duly announced. You are cordially invited and urged to attend. Tell and bring your friends.

Pittsburgh Reformed Presbyterian Church.

Elighth St., between Penn Avenue and Duquesne Way. (Rev. T. H. Anderson, Pastor. Mr. DAN BAKER, Interpreter for the deaf.) Sabbath School—10 A.M. Sermon—11 A.M. Prayer meeting on first Wednesday evening of each month at 7:45 P.M. Everbody Welcome.

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